

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/529,717	KIMURA ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Rabon Sergent	1711	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

- 1. ☒ This communication is responsive to telephonic interview of March 9, 2005.
- 2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2,3,5,6,9,10,15-17,20 and 29-39.
- 3. ☐ The drawings filed on _____ are accepted by the Examiner.
- 4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 - 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____ .
 - 3. ☒ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.
THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

- 5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 - 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date <u>030905</u> . |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

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An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Kendrew Colton on March 9, 2005.

Amend claims 30-39 as follows:

Claim 30 (Currently amended). The composition according to claim 2, wherein about 0.5 part by weight to 5 parts by weight of said hindered phenol, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, are compounded in said polyurethane.

Claim 31 (Currently amended). The composition according to claim 2, wherein 0.1 part by weight to 10 parts by weight of said amide, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, are compounded in said polyurethane.

Claim 32 (Currently amended). The composition according to claim 2, wherein about 0.5 part by weight to 5 parts by weight of said hindered phenol, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, and 0.1 part by weight to 10 parts by weight of said amide, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, are compounded in said polyurethane.

Claim 33 (Currently amended). The composition according to claim 2, wherein about 0.5 part by weight of said hindered phenol, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, and about 0.5 part by weight of said amide, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, are compounded in said polyurethane.

Claim 34 (Currently amended). The composition according to claim 2, wherein about 0.5 part by weight of said hindered phenol, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, and 0.1 part by weight of said amide, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, are compounded in said polyurethane.

Claim 35 (Currently amended). The process according to claim 5, wherein about 0.5 part by weight to 5 parts by weight of said hindered phenol, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, are compounded in said polyurethane.

Claim 36 (Currently amended). The process according to claim 5, wherein 0.1 part by weight to 10 parts by weight of said amide, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, are compounded in said polyurethane.

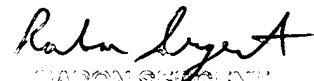
Claim 37 (Currently amended). The process according to claim 5, wherein about 0.5 part by weight to 5 parts by weight of said hindered phenol, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, and 0.1 part by weight to 10 parts by weight of said amide, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, are compounded in said polyurethane.

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Claim 38 (Currently amended). The process according to claim 5, wherein 0.5 part by weight of said hindered phenol, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, and 0.5 part by weight of said amide, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, are compounded in said polyurethane.

Claim 39 (Currently amended). The process according to claim 5, wherein about 0.5 part by weight of said hindered phenol, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, and 0.1 part by weight of said amide, per 100 parts by weight polyurethane, are compounded in said polyurethane.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to R. Sergent at telephone number (571) 272-1079.



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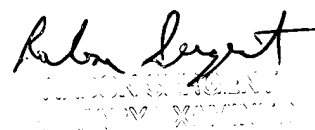
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The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art rejection has been withdrawn in view of applicants' 37 CFR 1.132 declaration of March 1, 2005. The showings within the declaration demonstrate that the incorporation within polyurethane of the claimed combination of the hindered phenol and the amide yield unexpected synergistic results.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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R. Sergent
March 9, 2005